

REPORT TO NEXUS COMMITTEE
From
Strategic Planning Process Work Team
July 29, 2014

Background

In March 2014, the Nexus Committee chartered a work team to take the results of the Nexus Committee's initial strategic planning work and recommend a draft statement of Mission, Vision and Goals for the National Nexus Program. The work team developed the draft statement and presented it to the Nexus Committee during a teleconference in June 2014. At that time the work team members volunteered to develop some project ideas for the goal related to Vitality and Reputation of the National Nexus Program.

Work team members: Christy Vandevender, AL; Anita DeGumbia, GA; Gene Walborn, MT; Randy Tilley, ID; Shelley Robinson, UT; Tom Shimkin, MTC. The team was assisted by Ben Abalos, MTC; and Elizabeth Harchenko, facilitator. Nexus Committee Chair, Lennie Collins, also assisted the team in its deliberations.

Team Process

The team met by teleconference during June and July. Team members identified projects that could be undertaken to enhance the vitality and reputation of the National Nexus Program. They developed evaluation criteria to help them decide which projects to recommend to the Nexus Committee for its consideration. Those criteria included:

- Likely state interest in the project;
- The feasibility of the project;
- The impact of the project on the vitality and reputation of the National Nexus Program; and
- The topical urgency or timeliness of the project.

The team decided to bring forward two projects – one related to the improvement of the Voluntary Disclosure Program and one related to increasing state membership in the National Nexus Program.

Summary of Recommendations

Mission, Vision and Goals: based on feedback from Nexus Committee members during the June teleconference, the team recommends that the Nexus Committee adopt the statement of Mission, Vision and Goals for the National Nexus Program attached to this report (attachment 1).

Voluntary Disclosure Improvement Project: the team recommends that the Nexus Committee approve, and recommend to the MTC Strategic Planning Steering Committee for chartering, a project to identify opportunities to improve the Voluntary Disclosure Program. A project description is attached to this report (attachment 2).

Membership Project: the team recommends that the Nexus Committee approve, and recommend to the MTC Strategic Planning Steering Committee for chartering, a project to identify the barriers to state membership in the National Nexus Program and propose solutions to remove those barriers. The project would also include identifying the program characteristics that attract states to become members. A project description is attached to this report (attachment 3).

Next Steps

Upon approval of either or both of the recommended projects by the Nexus Committee and the Strategic Planning Steering Committee, a project team and time line would be developed for the project or projects selected.

Respectfully submitted,

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